"METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR SERIALIZING REPLICATED TRANSACTIONS OF A DISTRIBUTED COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT," Novaes et al., Serial No. 09/584,481, filed herewith;

"SYNCHRONOUS REPLICATION OF TRANSACTIONS IN A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM," Novaes et al., Serial No. 09/583,370, filed herewith; and

On the second page of the application, replace the first paragraph having blanks (i.e., lines 1-3) with the following:

"METHOD, SYSTEM AND PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR MANAGING A CLUSTERED COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT," Novaes et al., Serial No. 09/583,677, filed May 31, 2000.

In the Claims:

Please add the following new claims:

4. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the shared nothing distributed computing environment comprises a processing group with a plurality of members, and wherein the detecting comprises detecting a failure of at least one of the plurality of members.

- 5. (New) The method of claim 4, wherein the recovering comprises synchronizing messages regarding the one or more transactions among surviving members of the processing group.
- 6. (New) The method of claim 5, wherein the recovering further comprises committing the one or more transactions.